

HUMAN RIGHTS ADVISORY COMMISSION

Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 3rd, 2016 at 6:30PM

Meeting called to order: at 6:30 pm

Present: Commissioners Jamal AbuSneineh, Farrah Chaichi, Marilyn McDonald, Phil Nagel, Sheri Struk; City Council Liaison Marc San Soucie; City Staff Liaison/Human Resources Director Angela Moreschi; and Ex-Officio member Police Chief Geoff Spalding.

Visitor Comment/Guests: Lani Parr (City of Beaverton's Neighborhood Office).

Absent: Commissioners Cesar Maldonado, Anna Petrov, and Juanita Villarreal; and Alternate Commissioner Isabella Irtifa

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Chair AbuSneineh called for questions regarding the minutes of the January meeting. No questions or corrections were proposed.

Motion: Commissioner Struk moved to approve the minutes as-is, second by Commissioner Nagel - None opposed.

Communication from City Staff Liaison

We have received one entry thus far for the Creative Expressions Contest. The deadline is 2/29 and commissioners are encouraged to get the word out.

A public comment card was received by the Mayor's office. It stated that seniors in mobile home parks have been having issues with their management and the author of the card wondered where their human rights liaison could be found. Unfortunately no contact information or information regarding which mobile home park were left, making follow up difficult. Councilor San Soucie mentioned that the city has an active landlord dispute resolution center for these issues.

Communication from the City Council Liaison

Councilor San Soucie discussed a number of local ordinances that will be coming to Council in the next few months. These include, but are not limited to, fines for excessive false security alarms, local marijuana retail zoning and licensing, exterior lighting rules, residential picketing restrictions, and a towing ordinance.

Communication from the Beaverton Police Department

Chief Spalding gave a brief body cam program update. The first open house was held last week and mostly positive feedback was given. Anticipated roll out for the program is Jun 2016.

Guest Speaker: Michele Castro, Our Oregon

The original speaker, Michele Castro, could not attend, so Matteo Bilyeu attended in her place. Matteo gave a short presentation on his group's proposed ballot measure to increase funding for schools and services by increasing the state corporate minimum tax. Matteo answered several questions and then acknowledge that HRAC cannot endorse a ballot measure and thus did not pass around his petition. He can be reached with more questions at outreach@ouregon.org

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Vote to approve amended HRAC Bylaws

Brief discussion about the changes made by Lani Parr since the last HRAC meeting. No further changes were proposed. Approved with none opposed.

Reports from meetings/events attended

- Washington County Human Rights Council – No quorum at this month's meeting
- Diversity Advisory Board – HRAC needs a new representative to attend that meeting (scheduled for the third Monday of each month).

Reports of Subcommittees

- *Human Trafficking* – No report
- *Resident Complaints*- No report
- *Creative Expression Contest (Your City announcement, information to school district, other promotions, MLK Day)* – Flyers were handed out to commissioners to distribute in their communities

Miscellaneous

- A suggestion was made to invite someone from the 15 Now proposal to raise the Oregon minimum wage
- HRAC retreat is tentatively scheduled for March 5 from 9am to 12pm
- Commissioner Struk is going to contact a member of the Beaverton school board to discuss their annual visit to HRAC
- Suggestion of magnets to hand out events that say "Do you have a problem with XYZ? If so, please contact HRAC"

Adjournment

Motion: Vice Chair Struk moved the meeting adjourned. Commissioner McDonald second.

Next meeting: March 2nd at 6:30 PM at Community Center (12350 SW 5 Street) - Vose Room